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Docket No.: SPINE 3.0-436 CIP CIP CONT
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In re Patent Application of:
Ralph et al.

Application No.: 10/725,305

Group Art Unit: 3738

Filed: December 1, 2003

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

For: INTERVERTEBRAL SPACER DEVICE
UTILIZING A SPIRALLY SLOTTED
BELLEVILLE WASHER HAVING
RADIALLY EXTENDING GROOVES

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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the filing receipt of the above application to correct the domestic priority data as claimed by applicant.

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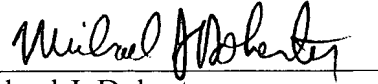
In the above-identified application, the domestic priority data is listed incorrectly. An "initial" Application Data Sheet is submitted herewith as well as a copy of the filing receipt. An Application Data Sheet was not initially filed with this application on December 1, 2003 since this document was not required.

We therefore respectfully request a correcting filing receipt which reflects the correct domestic priority data.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and we await receipt of the corrected filing receipt.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Application Data Sheet

Application Information

Application Type::	Regular
Subject Matter::	Utility
Suggested Group Art Unit::	3738
CD-ROM or CD-R?::	None
Sequence submission?::	None
Computer Readable Form (CRF)?::	No
Title::	INTERVERTEBRAL SPACER DEVICE UTILIZING A SPIRALLY SLOTTED BELLEVILLE WASHER HAVING RADIALY EXTENDING GROOVES
Attorney Docket Number::	SPINE 3.0-436 CIP CIP CONT
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Request for Non-Publication?::	No
Suggested Drawing Figure::	6
Total Drawing Sheets::	4
Small Entity?::	No
Petition included?::	No
Secrecy Order in Parent Appl.?::	No

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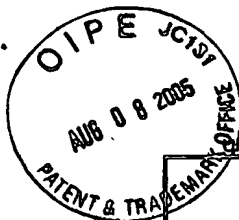
Assignee, SpineCore, Inc., hereby notifies the Patent and Trademark Office that it is not entitled to status as a small entity, and that the claim for small entity status filed by the Applicant is hereby withdrawn.

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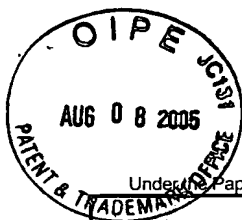
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: James D. Ralph and Stephen Tatar

Application No./Patent No.: 10/725,305 Filed/Issue Date: December 1, 2003

Entitled: INTERVERTEBRAL SPACER DEVICE UTILIZING A SPIRALLY SLOTTED BELLEVILLE WASHER HAVING RADIALLY EXTENDING GROOVES

SpineCore, Inc., a Corporation
(Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

1. ☒ the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
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